

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)
)
 v.) No. 19 CR 865
) Judge John J. Tharp, Jr.
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 KATHRYN CHOI and)
 OLIVER HAN)
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JOINT STATUS REPORT

The UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, by LINDSAY JENKINS, Attorney for the United States Acting Under Authority Conferred by 28 U.S.C. § 515, and DANIEL S. KAHN, Acting Chief of the Fraud Section of the Criminal Division, U.S. Department of Justice, and defendants KATHRYN CHOI and OLIVER HAN state as follows:

On June 9, 2021, the Court ordered the parties to file a joint status report by June 18, 2021. Dkt. No. 35. Both defendants pled guilty pursuant to plea agreements in which they agreed to cooperate with the government. Dkt. Nos. 26, 28. In the plea agreements, both defendants agreed to postpone their sentencing until after the conclusion of their cooperation. *Id.*, p. 11.

The defendants' cooperation is in connection with a related case pending before the Honorable Judge Durkin. *United States v. Desai, et al.*, 19 CR 864. In *Desai*, four defendants were charged. *Id.* One has pled guilty, and three are expected to proceed to trial, which is set for February 2022. 19 CR 864, Dkt. No. 185. As set forth in a recent status report in *Desai*, the government expects its case-in-chief to last approximately 10 weeks, and the defense estimates that the defense case that may last up to four weeks. Dkt. No. 183. Thus, the parties estimate that the trial may last

approximately 14 weeks. If it lasts 14 weeks, the trial will conclude in May 2022.

The government has no objection to setting the sentencings for Choi and Han for some time after the conclusion of the *Desai* trial.

Dated: June 18, 2021

Respectfully submitted,

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